

Chapter 12

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Sec. 12-1. Attempts; aiding and abetting.

It shall be unlawful for any person to attempt to commit any act which is prohibited by this Code or other ordinance or by any rule, regulation, order or notice duly promulgated or given pursuant to authority thereof and it shall be unlawful for any person to aid or abet the commission or attempted commission of any act which is prohibited by this Code or other ordinance or by any rule, regulation, order or notice duly promulgated or given pursuant to authority thereof.

Sec. 12-2. Reserved.

Sec. 12-3. County officers and employees--Interfering with, etc.

No person shall willfully interfere with, hinder or obstruct any officer or employee of the county who is engaged in, en route to or returning from, the performance of official duty, whether such interference, hindrance or obstruction be by threat, assault or otherwise.

Sec. 12-4. Same--Impersonation of.

No person shall falsely represent himself to be an officer or employee of the county or, without proper authority, wear or display any uniform, insignia or credential which identifies any county officer or employee; nor shall any person without proper authority assume to act as an officer or employee of the county, whether to gain access to premises, obtain information, perpetrate a fraud or for any other purpose; provided, that nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent a private citizen from making a lawful citizen's arrest for felony or breach of the peace committed in his presence.

Sec. 12-5. County property--Tampering with, etc., personal property generally.

No person shall, without proper authority, knowingly use, tamper with, render inoperative, destroy, damage, remove, deface, molest or otherwise interfere with any books, records, furniture, equipment, gear, apparatus, tools or other items of personal property belonging to, leased to or used by the county or any agency thereof.

Sec. 12-6. Same--Damage etc., to and trespass upon real property.

No person shall, without proper authority, knowingly destroy, damage, deface, molest or otherwise interfere with, or trespass upon, any real property belonging to, leased to or used by the county or any agency thereof.

Sec. 12-7. Tax on civil, criminal and traffic cases.

There is hereby assessed by the county, subject to the provisions of § 17.1-281 of the Code of Virginia, 1950 as amended, an additional assessment of two dollars (\$2.00) as part of the costs against each defendant for each conviction of a violation of any civil, criminal or traffic case prosecuted in the county circuit court, general district court, or juvenile domestic relations court. This assessment shall be collected by the clerk of the court in which the case is heard, remitted to the county treasurer and held by the treasurer subject to disbursements by the board of supervisors of the county for the construction, renovation, or maintenance of courthouse or jail and court-related facilities and to defray increases in heating, cooling, electricity, and ordinary maintenance. (P.C. Ord. No. 7-90, 8-8-90; P.C. Ord. No. 02-13, 11-13-02)

Sec. 12-8. Assessment for criminal and traffic cases.

Effective July 1, 2002, there is hereby assessed by the county, subject to the provisions of section 53.1-120(D) of the Code of Virginia 1950, as amended, an additional assessment of five dollars (\$5.00) as costs against each defendant for each conviction of a violation of any statute or ordinance in any criminal or traffic case prosecuted in the circuit court, general district court, or juvenile and domestic relations district court. This assessment shall be collected by the clerk of the court in which the case is heard, remitted to the county treasurer and held by the treasurer subject to appropriation by the county board of supervisors to the county sheriff's office for the funding of courthouse security personnel. The provisions of this section shall expire upon the expiration of the provisions of section 53.1-120(D) of the Code of Virginia. (P.C. Ord. No. 02-5, 6-12-02)

Sec. 12-9. Processing fee.

Effective July 1, 2002, there is hereby assessed by the county, subject to the provisions of section 15.2-1613.1 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, a processing fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) on each individual admitted to any county, city, or regional jail following conviction in any court within the county of any crime, misdemeanor or violation of any local ordinance of the county, the City of Harrisonburg, or any town within the county. The fee shall be ordered as a part of court costs collected by the clerk of the court in which the individual was convicted, deposited into the account of the county treasurer, and shall be used by the county sheriff's office to defray the cost of processing arrested persons into the county jail. (P.C. Ord. No. 02-4, 6-12-02)